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**Amendment to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A substantially gel-free compound comprising:
  - a. at least one elastomeric polymer ~~without any conjugated aliphatic diene in its composition~~ having an average molecular weight  $M_n$  of more than 20,000 g/mol and a Monney viscosity in the range of 2 to 40 units, comprising repeating units derived from at least one  $C_4$  to  $C_7$  isomonoolefin monomer, at least one multiolefin cross-linking agent and at least one chain transfer agent, said polymer containing less than 15 wt.% of solid matter insoluble in boiling cyclohexane under reflux for 60 min, said polymer not comprising a multiolefin monomer, a conjugated diene or a beta-pinene,
  - b. at least one filler and
  - c. optionally at least one diluent.
2. (Currently Amended) The compound of claim 1, wherein at least one of said elastomeric ~~polymers~~ polymer(s) ~~comprising repeating units derived from at least one  $C_4$  to  $C_7$  isomonoolefin monomer, at least one multiolefin cross-linking agent and at least one chain transfer agent, said polymer containing less than 15 wt.% of solid matter insoluble in boiling cyclohexane under reflux for 60 min,~~ is partially vulcanized.
3. (Original) The compound of any of the claims 1-2, wherein the compound further comprises a diluent.
4. (Currently Amended) A self-supporting shaped article comprising a substantially gel-free compound comprising:
  - a. at least one elastomeric polymer ~~without any conjugated aliphatic diene in its composition~~ having an average molecular weight  $M_n$  of more than

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20,000 g/mol comprising repeating units derived from at least one C<sub>4</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> isomonoolefin monomer, at least one multiolefin cross-linking agent and at least one chain transfer agent, said polymer containing less than 15 wt.% of solid matter insoluble in boiling cyclohexane under reflux for 60 min said polymer not comprising a multiolefin monomer, a conjugated diene or a beta-pinene,

b. at least one filler.

5. (Original) An article according to claim 4, wherein the C<sub>4</sub> to C<sub>7</sub> isomonoolefin monomer(s) are selected from the group consisting of isobutylene, 2-methyl-1-butene, 3-methyl-1-butene, 2-methyl-2-butene, 4-methyl-1-pentene and mixtures thereof.
6. (Original) An article according to any of claims 4-5, wherein the article further comprises at least one supporting means on which the compound is layered.
7. (Currently Amended) A tape comprising the compound ~~of any of the claims 1-3~~ of Claim 1 and optionally one or more supporting means.
8. (Currently Amended) A sealant or adhesive composition comprising the compound of ~~any of the claims 1-3~~ Claim 1.